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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 23, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes (FIG. 5).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 18 of this paper.

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